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1. JAPAN EMBASSY OFFICERS CALLED AT DEPARTMENT APRIL 17 TO

CONVEY GOJ VIEWS ON ANTARCTICA AND UNEP, AS FOLLOWS:
ANTARCTIC TREATY HAS FUNCTIONED WELL SINCE ITS INCEPTION.
UNEP SHOULD NOT CONCERN ITSELF WITH ANTARCTICA. ANTARCTIC
TREATY CONSULTATIVE PARTIES ARE DEALING WITH MATTERS PERTAINING TO MINERAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE ANTARCTICA AND UNEP INVOLVEMENT IS UNNECESSARY.
IF A MAJORITY AT THE UNEP GC ADVOCATES THE INCLUSION OF
ANTARCTICA IN THE PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES, ACTION SHOULD AT
MAXIMUM BE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE NEXT ANTARCTIC TREATY
CONSULTATIVE MEETING.

2. DEPARTMENT INFORMED JAPANESE OF GIST OF INSTRUCTIONS TO USDEL ON THIS QUESTION, NOTING THAT US WOULD PREFER TO SEE UNEP WORK WITH SCAR RATHER THAN MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS DIRECTLY TO THE CONSULTATIVE MEETING IF FIRST PREFERENCE - TO HAVE UNEP DROP THE WHOLE MATTER - CANNOT BE ACHIEVED. KISSINGER

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